

IRTS Radio News Bulletin Sunday 1st March 2020

Limerick Clare Amateur Radio Club

A note for your diary, the LCARC Rally will be held on Sunday the 15th March, at the usual venue, the Radisson Hotel on the Ennis Road. Doors open at 11:00.

Tables can be reserved by contacting Michael EI2IX at “michaelkingston /at/ eircom /dot/ net”.

EIDX Group

Reminder: As the EIDX Group (EIDXG) prepare for their upcoming activities, the group have organised a workshop/activity weekend as they maintain/service some of their equipment. Stopping for dinner and a social evening in the local village, all things radio will be discussed along with plenty of help/advice on hand.

This is an ideal opportunity and an open invitation for any newly licensed Amateurs or new recruits to get hands-on and learn how to build antennas, solder coax cables, repair masts etc.... and maybe even make some QSOs!

Why not pop down to the wonderful Ballyhoura Luxury Hostel, Kilfinane, Co. Limerick on the weekend of March 14/15th and if you'd like any further information please feel free to contact “ei6fr /at/ gofree /dot/ indigo /dot/ ie” or “ei9fbb /at/ gmail /dot/ com”

MyHam.net

Share your passion for the hobby with the rest of the community. A new social network called “MyHam Network” has been established by IECRO. This new online portal will provide all amateur radio operators across Ireland and Britain with a number of new exciting services. No matter what your favorite topic is in the hobby, MyHam aims to provide something for everyone.

The site will bring together into one online place valuable information such as european-based amateur radio news, european contests/DX, the MyHam callbook, tutorials/howto's, study/mentoring for people wishing to become licenced, DMR, Echolink registration and much more.

All amateurs holding an EI, GI or MI callsign are welcome to join the MYHam Network website for free by visiting www.myham.net

Shannon Basin Radio Club AGM

The Shannon Basin Radio Club held its AGM recently. There was a large attendance in Roscommon and the club welcomed several new members.

The new committee are as follows: Chairperson: Pat EI9HX, Secretary Brian: EI8IU, Treasurers: Pat EI9HX and Anthony EI6GGB, PRO and Club Rep: Anthony EI6GGB, QSL Manager: Anthony EI6GGB.

Pat EI9HX gave the Chairman's Report which included thanks to Tom EI4HCB for the use of the Roscommon Sub-aqua clubrooms for our meetings throughout the year and a summary of the activities in which the club had participated in throughout 2019.

Brian EI8IU gave Secretaries report and said that the club should build on its busy and successful year of 2019.

Brian EI8IU then invited Jim EI4HH (IRTS President) to say a few words.

A minute's silence was observed as a mark of sympathy on the passing of Enda O Brien and Willie Long. The club thanks the outgoing committee and looks forward to taking part in many events throughout 2020. Thanks also to IRTS President EI4HH who also attended and gave a very interesting talk. A great night was had by all, helped in no small part by the fine food which was served at the meeting. Please see www.ssrc.ie for upcoming club events and meetings.

The club holds two weekly nets, 2 meter on Thursday nights at 20:00 on 145.350 and 80 meter on Wednesday nights at 20:00 on 3.650 plus or minus qrm. Everyone is welcome to join in these nets.

DX News

A multi-national DXpedition led by Rune LA7THA will be in Zambia from 5th – 15th March. They will use the callsign 9J2LA and be QRV on 160 – 6m on CW, SSB, RTTY and FT8. QSLs go via M0OXO OQRS.

Sigi DL7DF and friends had been planning an expedition to Djibouti (J2) this month but due to difficulties with licensing, security and customs it was decided to change the location. Accordingly they will now travel to Reunion Island in the Indian Ocean

and operate as TO7DL from 4th – 16th March. They will be on 160 – 10m including 60m on CW, SSB and digital. QSL via DL7DF.

Harald DF2WO will return to Rwanda for another visit from 4th – 22nd March and reactivate his 9X2AW callsign. He plans to be on 160, 20, 17, 15 and 10m on CW, SSB, RTTY and FT8. QSL via M0OXO OQRS.

Three Russian amateurs will operate as EX0QR from Kyrgystan from 6th – 17th March. Look for them on 160 – 10m on CW, SSB and Digital. QSL via Club Log OQRS.

Items for inclusion in next week's Radio News can be submitted via e-mail to “newsteam /at/ irts / dot / ie” for automatic forwarding to both the radio and printed news services. Urgent news items for the radio news may be telephoned to the radio news editor, Mark EI6HPB on 086 355 2370.

Please note that items for the radio news should reach the editor no later than midday on Thursday in order to be guaranteed inclusion in the following Sunday's bulletin. If you currently receive a copy of the IRTS Radio News Bulletin by email as a news reader and wish to modify your address, please inform the editor in order to have it changed on the news readers mailing list.

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